Degree Benefits
Psychology is the study of human and animal behavior, thoughts and emotions (normal and abnormal) and the psychological, social and biological processes related to that behavior. Psychology has three faces: it is a discipline, a major subject of study in college and universities; it is a science, a method of conducting research and of understanding data; and it is a profession, a calling that requires one to apply special knowledge, abilities and skills in order to solve human problems.

Job Options
Traditionally, psychologists have been employed in universities, schools and clinics. Today, more than ever before, they can be found working in businesses, hospitals, private practice, courtrooms, sports competitions, police departments, government agencies, private laboratories, the military and other settings.

Psychologists with doctoral degrees in clinical, counseling, health and industrial/organizational psychology have especially good employment opportunities. Furthermore, those with substantial technical training in quantitative research methods and computer applications will be able to take better advantage of new employment opportunities.

Program Objectives
The objectives of the psychology program are to:
- Provide psychology majors with the knowledge and skills necessary for productive careers in psychology or related fields.
- Prepare psychology students for graduate studies in psychology or related fields.
- Provide California University students with the knowledge and skills of psychology to complement their respective areas of study.
- Develop in California University students an awareness of the ways in which psychology can complement their professional and personal goals.

University Resources
The Department of Psychology offers a number of internship programs. It has a chapter of Psi Chi, the national honor society in psychology. The purpose of the society is to encourage, stimulate and maintain excellence in scholarship and advance the science of psychology.

The department advises an active Psychology Club. Members complete research to present at regional conferences, participate in community action projects and host speaker and movie events.

BACHELOR OF ARTS
PSYCHOLOGY—120 CREDITS
The eight-semester schedule of courses on the other side of this sheet provides a recommended framework for completing this program of study in four years. To ensure that they are making satisfactory academic progress, students should consult with their faculty adviser, ensure that they complete necessary prerequisites and required courses in sequence, and complete a minimum of 15 credits each semester.
## PSYCHOLOGY

### Freshman Year

**Semester 1** .................................................................**16 crs.**
- UNI 100: First-Year Seminar ........................................1 cr.
- ENG 101: English Composition I ........................................3 crs.
- PSY 100: General Psychology ...........................................3 crs.
- General Education Courses ...........................................9 crs.

**Semester 2** .................................................................**15 crs.**
- ENG 102: English Composition ........................................3 crs.
- Psychology Content Course ...........................................3 crs.
- General Education Courses ...........................................9 crs.

### Sophomore Year

**Semester 3** .................................................................**15 crs.**
- PSY 220: Descriptive Statistics ........................................3 crs.
- Psychology Content Course ...........................................3 crs.
- General Education, Minor OR Elective Courses .........................9 crs.

**Semester 4** .................................................................**18 crs.**
- PSY 331: Inferential Statistics ...........................................3 crs.
- PSY 345: History and Systems ...........................................3 crs.
- Psychology Content Course ...........................................3 crs.
- General Education Courses ...........................................9 crs.

### Junior Year

**Semester 5** .................................................................**15 crs.**
- PSY 340: Psychological Testing ........................................3 crs.
- Psychology Content Course ...........................................6 crs.
- General Electives or Minor Courses ..................................6 crs.

**Semester 6** .................................................................**15 crs.**
- PSY 365: Research Methods in Psychology .........................3 crs.
- Psychology Content Course ...........................................6 crs.
- General Electives or Minor Courses ..................................6 crs.

### Senior Year

**Semester 7** .................................................................**15 crs.**
- Psychology Content Course ...........................................3 crs.
- PSY 460: Senior Seminar: Special Topics .........................3 crs.
- General Electives or Minor Courses ..................................9 crs.

**Semester 8** .................................................................**15 crs.**
- PSY 460: Senior Seminar: Special Topics .........................3 crs.
- Psychology Content Course ...........................................3 crs.
- General Electives or Minor Courses ..................................9 crs.

- No course may be used in more than one menu category.
- A laboratory course is required.
- 42 of the 120 credits must include 300- or 400-level courses.

### Program Contact Information

Contact the Department of Psychology by phone at 724-938-4100.

### Department Website

[www.calu.edu/academics/programs/psychology](http://www.calu.edu/academics/programs/psychology)

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